Project Title: Compliance Information System Staff Augmentation
Department: Agriculture
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Please confirm MDA's anticipated total utilization hours for this contractor resource.
Answer: Total hours for the contract will be between 800 to1,000 hours.

Please confirm if MDA's expected utilization of this contract resource will be 40 hours per week for the duration of the contract.
Answer: MDA anticipates the work to be full-time for the duration of the contract.

The SOW states that selected contractor resource will be required to participate in testing and defect resolution. Could MDA please advise as to which testing tools the selected contractor resource will be using?
Answer: MDA has no restrictions on the use of automated testing tools. We also do not use any internally.

Please confirm what primary programming language(s) the selected contractor resource will be using for development activities
Answer: The application is written with a workflow tool called Presence BPM. Within that tool, routines are written primarily with javascript, HTML and SQL.

Does MDA have a predetermined budget for this project? If yes, what is the budget?
Answer: Not to exceed $100,000

Has MDA previously engaged any contractor to provide similar services for the CIS project?
Answer: Yes. A short engagement was used by MDA in completion of specific tasks in this area.

Do you already have a contractor working on this project?
Answer: MDA's Project Manager is a contract position.

Is there an incumbent for this position?
Answer: No.

Will the programmer only be working with HTML, XML, DHTML, CSS, and JavaScript and have nothing to do with DB2?
Answer: The programmer will be coding modules using HTML, javascript and SQL (against a DB2 database). The programmer will have no other interaction with DB2 such as creating tables, coding functions, etc.

The RFP says the technology environment is workflow with DB2. What is the programming language? ASP.NET? ASP? What programming language would the contractor need?
Answer: The application is written using a product call Presence BPM. Within this environment, functions/scripts will be written in the languages described in question above.

Will this position be working full time (40 hr a week) or is this a few hours here and there as needed?
Answer: MDA anticipates the work to be full-time for the duration of the contract.

Are the following skills required:
      DB2/UDB
      TomCat
      Websphere

Answer: The programmer will be expected to program HTML, javascript and SQL (against a DB2 database). They would not be expected to know or configure DB2, Tomcat or Websphere.

Is State Government experience required?
Answer: No.